

THE OLDEST SENATOR.—The death of Mr. Clappion has very naturally directed attention to the members of the United States Senate, and to the point of seniority. Mr. Crittenden, of Kentucky, is now the "Father" of that distinguished body, having entered it on the 4th of March, 1817. It may be seen, however, on referring to the record, that this same veteran Senator did not exhibit the same regard for the welfare of his country as did his predecessor for the public welfare, as high as the position of a Senator has ever been considered. His resignation first took place in less than three years, and his successor, the Hon. Richard M. Johnson, was appointed on the 10th December, 1820.

Mr. Crittenden was again in the Senate, his service ending from 1821 to 1828. He again resigned before the end of his term, and his successor, the Hon. James T. Moorehead, entered the Senate on the 20th February, 1824. Mr. Crittenden then succeeded Mr. Clay, who had resigned on the 25th February, 1824, and continued to the 31 of March, 1824. He qualified that until July, 1825, he would be Mr. Fillmore's Cabinet Attorney General. Mr. Crittenden's recent term commenced with the 31st of March, 1826, making his whole service about eighteen years.

The Hon. James A. Pearce, of Maryland, is next in the order of seniority, his service commencing from 1825 to 1830, and his term is still in force.

The Hon. Wm. L. Evans, of Louisiana, commenced with the 4th April, 1830, and reentered it 1838, when nominated for the Presidency.

He is in his second term, which will close on the 31st March, 1842.

Name of the other Senator now in service date back to 3d March, 1840. The Hon. Wm. H. Seward, of New York, July 21, 1842; Mr. Tracy, of Connecticut, July 21, 1842; Mr. Biggs, of Houston, of Texas, October 21, 1840; Mr. Bell, of South Carolina, December 25, 1847; Mr. May, of Virginia, January 25, 1847; Mr. Hay, of Missouri, April 1847; Mr. Haw, of New Hampshire, April 1847; Mr. Bell, of Louisiana, April 1847; Mr. Clegg, of Illinois, 4 April, 1847; Mr. Morris, of Kentucky, of Alabama, December 11, 1848; and Mr. Seward, of New York, April, 1849.

This exhibits more than the usual number of comparatively new Senators, but most of them have legislative experience in other public bodies.

If Mr. Buchanan has any friends in the Senate who approve or think they can defend the writing of Mr. Buchanan's Pacific Railroad bill, let me assure them that the author of the bill is a man who will not be easily satisfied.

On the night of the 1st of January, 1847, he was attacked by a negro slave, who was armed with a knife, and was severely wounded. He was taken to the hospital, where he remained for several days, and was then sent to the State Hospital, where he died on the 1st of January, 1848.

The markets elsewhere have also advanced. The St. Louis rulers of F. & J. note a sale of 65 bushels of meat pork at \$6.00 per bushel new fat at 140, and 100 kegs of lard. These, however, are only small sales and perhaps from second hands.

The question was about to be taken up on the second resolution, a member present de-

manding to know how much stock was represented in the meeting, and, accordingly, for this purpose, he had called in the representative of the election, Mr. Phelps, to state what some of the friends of Col. Hancock had been induced in an effort to make him a candidate.

Mr. Phelps, in reply, said that he had no information to give, but the information of some of the friends of Col. Hancock was that he had been induced to stand for the election.

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